

Mary Marshall Houses
127-129 Abercorn Street
Savannah
Chatham County
Georgia

HABS No. GA-1200

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

STATE Georgia	COUNTY Chatham	TOWN OR VICINITY Savannah
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Mary Marshall Houses (from <u>HABS Georgia Catalog</u>)		HABS NO. GA-1200
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 127-129 Abercorn Streets		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1859 (from <u>HABS Georgia Catalog</u>)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Charles B. Cluskey (from <u>Historic Savannah</u>)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Designed by Charles B. Cluskey, considered by some to be Georgia's most prominent architect of the antebellum period. Carriage House (HABS No. GA-1200-A) is an interesting surviving dependency, with details matching those of the main house. Rated "Exceptional" by Historic Savannah Foundation Survey. Integral part of Savannah National Register Historic District.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Vernacular, with classical motifs		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick; sandstone trim.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; 4 stories; 6-bay front; nearly flat roof; double house with 2 entrances; attached 1-bay, 2-story carriage house; 2- and 4-story wings added in rear.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE "Corbelled modillion brick cornice, corbelled modillion brick belt course at windowsill level third floor. Cast iron balcony across front at second floor. . . Cast iron fence on stone base at front." (p. 332, <u>HABS Georgia Catalog</u>)		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Rear porches have been enclosed; 2-story and 4-story wings have been added at the rear. Dates of alterations not known.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE From photographs, condition in 1966 appears Fair to Poor. Present condition not known.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Linley, John. <u>The Georgia Catalog, Historic American Buildings Survey</u> , 1982. Historic Savannah Foundation. <u>Historic Savannah</u> . 1968. Located in Savannah National Register Historic District,		
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